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Dedication . . .

In Memoriam

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We, the students, of Thomson Township wish to dedicate this 1950 Lincoln Log to a veteran teacher and two high school students who once dwelt among us. They shall always remain with us as very pleasant memories of the past.

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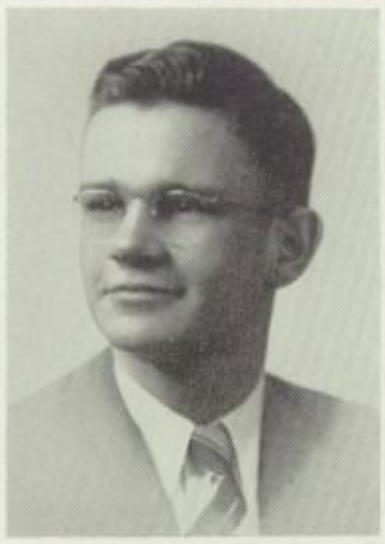


ROBERT SEIKKULA
President

"Pride of our school,
President of our class,
A real true blue,
Honored by lad and lass."

Class President 1, 3, 4; Class Vice President 2; Kamera Klub 3; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4, (Secretary 2, Vice President 3, President 4, District Secretary 3, Vice President 4); Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4, (Captain 3, 4); Student Council 3, 4, (secretary 3, President 4); Spotlight 3, (Managing Editor); Annual Staff (Editor).

KENNY PYKKONEN
Vice-President

"His eyes twinkled in his head aright,
As do the stars on a frosty night."

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, (Captain 3, 4); Baseball 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4, (President 4); Boys Chorus 2; Annual Staff 4; Kamera Klub 3; Track 3; Student Council 4, (Treasurer 4); Class President 2; Class Vice President 3, 4.

BERNICE JOHNSON
Secretary

"Her ivory hands on the ivory keys,
Strayed in fitful fantasy."

G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Student Council 2, 3, 4, (Secretary 3, 4); Band 1, 2, 3, 4, (President 4); Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4, (Librarian 3); Glee Club 1, 2; Class Treasurer 2, 3, Secretary 4; Annual Staff 4; Spotlight 2, 3, 4, Editor 4; "A Little Honey"; Library Club 2, 3, 4.

LORETTA BLACK
Treasurer

"This lass so sweet, with smiles so sweet,
Has won my right good will."

G.A.A. 2, 3, 4, (Treasurer 4); Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4, (Librarian 4); Glee Club 1, 2; Librarian's Club 3, 4, (Treasurer 4); "A Little Honey"; Spotlight 2, 3, 4; Kamera Klub 3; Class Treasurer 4; Cheerleader 4.

Senior Class History, 1950

Beginning the eventful year of 1946, thirty-two enthusiastic students entered as freshmen into high school life. We elected Robert Seikkula, president; Kenneth Pykkonen, vice-president; Merton Juntunen, secretary; Bernice Johnson, treasurer; and Mrs. M. Tiensuu, our class advisor.

Twenty-seven faithful members returned the following school year to select Kenneth Pykkonen, president; Robert Seikkula, vice-president; Bernice Johnson, treasurer; Nancy Sunnarborg, secretary. Inspired by our noteworthy advisors, Mr. Leslie Knuti and Mr. Julius Jorgenson, this nonchalant class terminated the year successfully.

We began our sophisticated junior year with twenty-nine students. Our class officers were Robert Seikkula, president; Kenneth Pykkonen, vice-president; Bernice Johnson, treasurer; and Nancy Sunnarborg, secretary. With combined exhilaration and anxiety, a three act comedy, "The Little Honey" was produced in the fall of this year. Under the greatly appreciated directorship of our advisors, Miss Vivian Georgesen and Mr. Leslie Knuti, our junior-senior banquet was a memorable occasion.

As elevated seniors, we chose the officers, Robert Seikkula, president; Kenneth Pykkonen, vice-president; Bernice Johnson, secretary; and Loretta Black, treasurer. Highlighting our senior year was the excursion trip to Minneapolis which was made exceedingly interesting and enjoyable by our capable advisors, Mrs. M. Murphy and Mr. E. H. Waterhouse.

We selceted navy and silver as our colors, the red rose as our flower, and as our motto, "Character is the corner stone of all success". Our class play, "Are You Mr. Butterworth?", produced under the guidance of Mrs. R. Harper, was a complete success.

The reward of four years of diligent study, combined with carefree play, will be ours on May 31, Commencement night.

BOB ALASPA

"Living requires but little life;

Doing requires much."

"A Little Honey"; Boys Chorus 2; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; Football 2, 3, 4.

MILLARD BARNEY

"He is a gentleman because his nature

Is so kind and affable to every creature."

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4.

MONICA BLAZAVIC

"Happy go lucky without a care,

May her fortune days be just as fair."

G.A.A. 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Cheerleading 4; Transfer from St. Jeans.

AUDREY GALLEA

"With a cheerful heart she does her work,

She has never been known to shirk."

G.A.A. 2, 3, 4, (Treasurer 4); Cheerleading 3, 4; Spotlight 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Kamera Klub 3.

JEANETTE HAGMAN

"She was happy,

Like the spirit of air she moved."

Spotlight 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Class treasurer 1.

LOIS HAMMARLUND

"The joy of youth and health her eyes displayed,

And ease of heart her every look conveyed."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader 4; Annual Staff 2, 4; Spotlight 1, 3, 4; "A Little Honey."

RUTH HELBERG

"A perfect woman, nobly planned,

To warn, to comfort, and command."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Spotlight 3, 4; Library Club 2, 3, 4; Kamera Klub 3; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4, (President 4).

JOAN HENDRICKSON

"Her brain contains ten thousand cells,

And in each, some active knowledge dwells."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, (President 3, Reporter 3, Vice President 2); G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; "A Little Honey." Spotlight 3, 4.

NANCY JOKI

"Rare compound of oddity, frolic and fun,

Who relished a joke and rejoiced a pun."

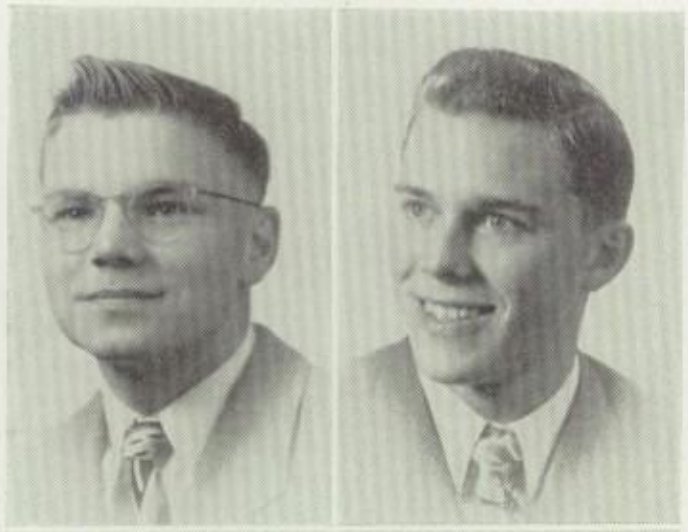
Glee Club 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 2, 3, (Vice President 3); G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; "A Little Honey"; Band 1, 2, 3.

JAMES JUNTTI

"Then he will talk—

Good heavens how he will talk."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys Chorus 1, 2; F.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4, (Vice-President 4); Kamera Klub 3; Spotlight 4; Student Manager 4; "A Little Honey".



MELVIN JUNTUNEN

"Life is a jest and all things show it,
I thought so once and now I know it."

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2.

DONALD KIVISTO

"He would not when he might,
He shall not when he would."

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1; Boys Chorus 2; Mixed Chorus 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4.

MELVIN KOSKI

"I will sit down now,
but the time will come
When you will hear me."

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1; Boys Chorus 2; Mixed Chorus 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4.

RAYMOND MANISTO

"A man's best things are nearest him,
Lie close about his feet."

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; (Secretary 3, 4); Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 3; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Boys Chorus 2.

ELVIE NIEMI

"Devout, yet cheerful; pious, not austere;
To others lenient; to herself, sincere."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4, (Vice President 4); Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4, (Secretary 1, President 2, 4); G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Spotlight 2, 3, 4; Library 3, 4.

VERNA PANTSAR

"Be silent always when you doubt your sense,
And speak, tho sure, with seeming diffidence."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4, (Secretary 4); Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Library Club 3, 4, (Secretary 4); G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Spotlight 2, 3, 4; 4-H 1, 4.

EILEEN PERTTULA

"A face with gladness overspread,
Soft smiles by human kindness bred."

Spotlight 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4, (Historian 4); Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Library Club 2, 3, 4, (President 4); "A Little Honey."

DONALD SMITH

"All must respect those
Who respect themselves."

Band 4; F.F.A. 1; 4-H 1; Transfer from Pine River.

KENNETH SUNNARBORG

"Sir, nothing but facts."

Football 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council 1, 2; Spotlight 4.

NANCY SUNNARBORG

"My wealth is health
and perfect ease;
My conscience clear,
I seek to please."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Library Club 3, 4; Spotlight 2, 3, 4; Class Secretary 2, 3; Glee Club 1, 2; "A Little Honey"; Annual Staff 4; Kamera Klub 3.

DONALD TAN

"Silence and modesty are very valuable qualities in conversation."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Boys Chorus 2; 4-H Club 1; Kamera Klub 3.

EDITH TAN

"We grant although she had much wit,

She was very shy of using it."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4, (librarian 4); Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4, (treasurer 4); Spotlight 2, 3, 4; Library Club 4.

MELVIN TAN

"Whatever he does is done with so much ease,

In him 'tis natural to please."

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; (Reporter 3, Treasurer 4); Boys Chorus 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; (Vice-President 4); Band 1, 2, 3, 4; (President 3); Student Council 1, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; (Sports Editor); Kamera Klub 3.

COLLETTA VAN WAVE

"Words are easy, like the wind;

Faithful friends are hard to find."

G.A.A. 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3; Spotlight 4.

FLOYD WIITA

"Never a worry, never a worry."

Boys Chorus 2; Mixed Chorus 3; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; "A Little Honey."

Last Will and Testament

We, the senior class of Esko High School, in this year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty, being of unquestionably fine mental capacities and possessing superior physical qualities, do hereby make known our last will and testament.

To Mr. Nelson, we bequeath 250 wads of slightly used gum in prime snapping condition, and one bale of paper airplanes, with the sincere hope that he will pass them out to next year's seniors.

As individuals, we bestow the following properties to the juniors, with the stipulation that they use anything here bestowed upon them to the absolute limit of their abilities.

I, **Joan Hendrickson,** will my wide vocabulary to Jalmer Granholm, who should be able to make good use of it.

I, **Bob Seikkula,** leave my ability for playing basketball to Janice Raski, with hopes that she will do a great deal to boost the team's morale.

I, **Eileen Perttula,** bequeath my rare sense of humor to Donna Mattson, hoping it will provide her with many enjoyable moments.

I, **James Juntti,** will my boisterous attitude to James Sunnarborg and Van Valkenburg.

I, **Bernice Johnson,** leave my qualities of leadership and my headaches from worrying about "Spotlight" news to next year's "Spotlight" staff.

We, **Melvin Tan** and **Kenny Pykkonen,** leave several heartbroken girls behind us.

I, **Ruth Helberg,** leave my wonderful personality and happy-go-lucky attitude to Janet Hennum could make good use of both.

I, **Dan Tan,** leave my nickname, "Shad", to Martin Nynas, who, I am sure, will find it quite suitable.

I, **Loretta Black,** bequeath my position as queen of the Eskomos to Walter Grubenla, who will look georgeous in my formal.

I, **Raymond Manisto,** leave my quiet ways to Stewart Nephew.

I, **Nancy Sunnarborg,** leave my interest in trigonometry to Carol Juntunen, in hopes that she will carry on as well as I did.

I, **Donald Smith,** leave my extreme height to Bob Nelson, who really needs it.

We, **Elvie Niemi** and **Verna Pantsar,** leave our accurate work sheets and combined cash journals to next year's bookkeeping class.

I, **"Joe" Juntunen,** leave my twin brother, "Chum", to carry on where I left off.

We, **Audrey Gallea** and **Jeanette Hagman,** will our auburn hair to Doris Ikola and Patsy Rowe.

I, **Donald Kivisto,** leave my manly physique to Joe Johnson, who isn't doing too badly on his own.

I, **Monica Blazevic,** will my interest in the Esko boys to Audrey Mattinen.

I, **Millard Barney,** regretfully leave my back seat in the assembly to my brother Dick.

I, **Nancy Joki,** bequeath my everlasting giggles to Jimmy Rowe and Carl Gustafson.

I, **Bob Alaspa,** leave my height to two junior girls, Vivian Laitinen and Audrey Kivisto, who could use a few additional inches.

I, **Colletta Van Wave,** leave my manner of gum chewing to Jack Bergstedt and Marvin Mattson.

I, **Kenny Sunnarborg,** will my wavy hair to Dick Salo, with hopes that he sets it every night.

I, **Edith Tan,** will my love for volley ball to Dick Duzan, a faithful member of the girls' volley ball team.

I, **Floyd Wiita,** bequeath my artistic ability to Roger Winquist, who did quite well in mounting the "Bulldog" for Homecoming.

I, **Lois Hammarlund,** will my cheerleading sweater to Melvin Kivisto in exchange for his warm-up jacket.

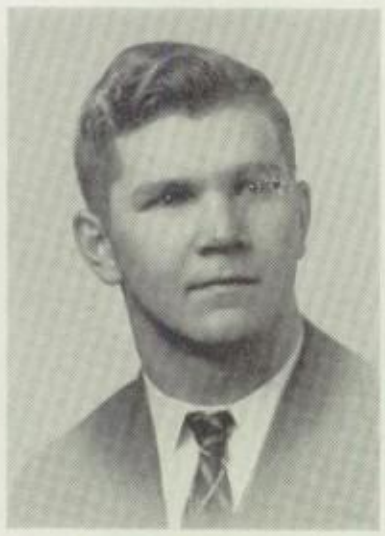
I, **Melvin Koski,** leave my long-windedness in blowing my bass horn to Geri Holmberg and Doris Wiita to distribute among the clarinet section.

Junior Class...

ROGER WINQUIST
President

"All he attempts to do,
he will,
A silent man may have
much skill."

F.F.A. 1, 2; Boys Chorus 1; Football Mgr. 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Basketball 3, (Manager 2); Student Council 1, 2, 3, (Vice-Pres. 3); Class President 3.



MARTIN NYNAS
Vice-President

"A man of virtue and
judgement,
Of whom we can be proud."

F.F.A. 1; Football 2, 3; Student Council 2, 3; "The Funny Brats"; Class Vice-President 3.

DORIS WITTA
Secretary

"A full rich nature, free to
trust,
Truthful and almost sternly
just."

Band 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1; G.A. A. 2, 3; Spotlight 3; Class Secretary 3.

RICHARD DUZAN
Treasurer

"Away with books, let's
have some fun."

Football 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3; Boys Chorus 1; Class Treasurer 2, 3; "The Funny Brats."

Junior Class History

We, as eager freshmen, entered high school in '47. The following competent officers were chosen: president, Walter Grubenla; vice-president, Martin Nynas; secretary, Melvin Koivisto; and treasurer, Merton Juntunen. Mr. Stefanko was our advisor.

Archie Mattson, who had passed away during the preceding summer, was sadly missed by all. the tragic death of Bill Sarkela also touched the hearts of all his classmates.

President Jack Bergstedt, vice-president Roger Winquist, secretary Carol Juntunen, and treasurer Dick Duzan were the hard-working officers of our sophomore class. Mrs. Harper and Mr. Langen acted as advisors.

Under the able guidance of Miss Georgesen and Mr. Knuti, the junior class has thus far had a successful year. Acting as class officers are: president, Roger Winquist; vice-president, Martin Nynas; secretary, Doris Wiita; and treasurer, Dick Duzan.

"The Funny Brats", a comedy, was very well presented by the juniors under the excellent supervision of Mrs. Harper.

Preparations are being made for the Junior-Senior banquet and prom. This semi-formal affair will take place in the ballroom of the Hotel Spalding.

Naturally, we are looking forward to being seniors. The class play, banquet, prom, graduation—all ahead of us.

RICHARD BARNEY

"For a jolly good book whereon to look,

Is better to me than gold."

Football 3; Mixed Chorus 1; Boys Chorus 1; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3.

JACK BERGSTEDT

"Whatever skeptic could inquire for,

For every why, he had a wherefore."

Basketball 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3; Baseball 1, 2; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; (Treasurer 2); Track 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Boys Chorus 1; Class President 2.

CARL GUSTAFSON

"What I have been taught I have forgotten,

What I know I have guessed."

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; Football 2, 3; Baseball 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2.

JALMAR GRANHOLM

"Do nothing to repent,

Faithful and obedient."

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; Football 3.

WALTER GRUBENLA

"A man who can study and fight and win.

A friend who's a sticker through thick and thin."

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; Football 3; Spotlight 3; "The Funny Brats"; Class President 1.

JANET HENNUM

"Her very frowns are sweeter far,

Than the smiles of other maidens are."

G.A.A. 2, 3; Spotlight 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1.

GERALDINE HOLMBERG

"Gentle in manner,

Firm in reality."

G.A.A. 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Spotlight 3; Glee Club 1.

DORIS IKOLA

"What need to mourn, what need to sigh?

Life is happy and so am I."

Band 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1; "The Funny Brats"; Spotlight 3; (Editor 3); G.A.A. 2, 3.

CAROL JUNTUNEN

"A merry heart goes all the day,

A sad one tires in a mile."

G.A.A. 2, 3; "The Funny Brats"; Annual Staff 3; Glee Club 1; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3; Spotlight 1, 3; Class Secretary 1, 2.

MERTON JUNTUNEN

"High school days can't compare
To high school nights."

Basketball 1, 2, 3; Football 2, 3; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3.

WAYNE JUNTUNEN

"Our character is our will;

For what we will we are."

(Assist. Sec. 3); Boys Chorus 1; Mixed Chorus 1.

WILBUR JUNTUNEN

"School is a bore, though,
Isn't it?"

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; Student Council 3; Football 1, 3; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3.

JOE JOHNSON

"I've decided not to worry any more,

I'm living just as easy as before."

Basketball 1, 3; Football 2, 3; F.F.A. 1, 2; Spotlight 3.

AUDREY KIVISTO

"A good sport and a dandy companion."

Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1; Spotlight 3; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; "The Funny Brats"; G.A.A. 2, 3.

MELVIN KOIVISTO

"Humorous and yet without a touch of whim,

Gentle and amiable, and yet full of fight."

Basketball 1, 2, 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Boys Chorus 1; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Class Secretary 1; Vice-President 2.

VIVIAN LAITINEN

"Is life not a hundred times too short

For us to bore ourselves?"

G.A.A. 2, 3; Spotlight 3; Band 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; "The Funny Brats".

AUDREY MATTINEN

"As pure as a pearl and as perfect,

A noble and innocent girl."

Mixed Chorus 3; G.A.A. 3.
Transfer from Mpls. Patrick Henry.

DONNA MATTSON

"I have no mocking or arguments,

I witness and wait."

G.A.A. 2, 3; Spotlight 1; Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Glee Club 1.

MARVIN MATTSON

"So nimble and so full of pep,

He puts his whole wit in a jest."

F.F.A. 3; Band 3.
Transfer from Central.

ROBERT NELSON

"T'was good advice and well meant, my son—be good."

Football Mgr. 3; Basketball Mgr. 2, 3; Stage Manager; F.F.A. 1, 3.

STEWART NEPHEW

"Now just what's the use of study
When a good time is to be had."

Football 2, 3; Baseball 3; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3.

BARBARA OJA

"Not all dignity;
Look into her eyes; mischief brews there."

G.A.A. 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 2, 3; "The Funny Brats."

JANICE RASKI

"Is she talking again—or yet?"

G.A.A. 2, 3; Spotlight 1, 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1; "The Funny Brats".

JAMES ROWE

"No sinner, but no saint perhaps,
But, well, the very best of chaps."

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; Football 3; "The Funny Brats."

PATRICIA ROWE

"She isn't as serious as she lets on to be."

G.A.A. 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1; Spotlight 3.

RICHARD SALO

"He would stop St. Peter's roll call,
To ask a question."

Baseball 1, 2, 3; Football 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; Boys Chorus 1.

JAMES SUNNARBORG

"A solemn youth with sober pliz.
Who eats his grub and minds his biz."

Basketball 1, 2; Football 1, 2, 3; F. F.A. 1, 2, 3; Track 2, 3.

RICHARD VAN VALKENBURG

"A man he seems, of cheerful yesterdays,
And confident tomorrows."

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; Boys Chorus 1; Mixed Chorus 1.

Sophomores . . .

FRONT ROW: Darrell Lassila, Calvin Bohren, Allen Lennartson, Harold Hultberg, Wilfred Sunnarberg, Wayne Michaelson, Duane Davidson and Robert Esko.

SECOND ROW: Louis Sampson, Roger Bohren, John Maki, Marvin Watry, Richard Anderson, Gerald Pera, Henry Sota, Lloyd Rontti, and Robert Johnson.

BACK ROW: Joyce Nelson, Selma Granholm, Betty Juntunen, Muriel Martin, Paula Karpenter, Beverly Southworth, Dorothy Tan, Bette Bjorken, Doris Watry, Luella Sunnarborg and Esther Johnson.

Freshmen . . .

FRONT ROW: Jimmy Smith, Bennet Puline, Richard Tan, LeRoy Maki, James Pantsar, James Juntunen, and Clayton Kalli.

SECOND ROW: Richard Lawson, Gerald Van Wave, James Manisto, Jack Alaspa, Richard Richardson, James Hammarlund, Leslie Joki, and Donald Wigington.

THIRD ROW: Yvonne Hennum, Phyllis Bergstedt, Betsy Sunnarborg, Donald Pykkonen, Dale Luokkala, Nancy Gustafson, Elaine Sunnarborg, Eva Eckman, and Adele Oja.

Eighth Grade...

FRONT ROW: Robert Gordon, Robert Rowe, Wallace Randa, Lauren Stenroos, Dale Liupakka, Marvin Heikkinen, and Marlen Perttula.

SECOND ROW: Elizabeth Blazevic, Viola Johnson, Sylvia Moilanen, Nancy Hennum, Alice Gallea, Elaine Mattson, Sally Moilanen, and Donald Johnson.

THIRD ROW: Delbert Bottila, Tommy Juntunen, Rodney Halvorson, Dennis Juntunen, Mary Granholm, Joanne Kinnunen, and Jane Michaelson.

BACK ROW: Betty Pera, Janet Kivisto, Margie Erickson, Rosemary Pederson, Patricia Van Wave, June Puline, Joan Van Valkenburg, and Gladys Juntunen.

Seventh Grade...

FRONT ROW: Richard Smith, Donald Rowe, Donald Rontti, Darwin Bottila, June Johnson, Joyce Kalli, Roger Bottila, Kenneth Hammarlund, and Erwin Lassila.

SECOND ROW: Edna Pykkonen, Elaine Koski, Norman Barney, Ernest Bylkas, Raymond Lawson, Billy Black, Otto Oja, Alma Granholm, Carol Hendrickson, and Kay Juntunen.

THIRD ROW: Richard Bjorklund, Ronald Korby, Ronald Waterhouse, Robert Johnson, Warner Johnson, Leslie Southworth, Shirley Mattson, Carol Martin, and Rosie Roll.

BACK ROW: Elvie Kinnunen, Marian Nynas, George Tobaleski, Harold Bergstedt, James Bergstedt, Donald Terwey, Gerald Anderson, Janice Nelson, June Lamminen, and Shirley Niemi.

Service Department...

BUS DRIVERS

Bill Johnson, Jack Ikola, Walter Maunu, Eino Ikola, Hjalmer Maunu, Hugo Sarkela

ENGINEERS

Abel Palkie, assistant engineer
John Esko, engineer

DIETITIANS

Mrs. Charles Torma Mrs. Arthur Sarkela

SCHOOL PATROL

Richard Lawson, Ronald Waterhouse, Dale Liupakka, Raymond Lawson

Activities . . .

Student Council...

LEFT TO RIGHT: Eva Eckman, Wayne Juntunen, Beverly Southworth, Kenneth Pykkonen, Lauren Stenroos, Bob Seikkula, Bernice Johnson, Melvin Tan, Martin Nynas, Roger Winquist, Dorothy Tan, and Donald Terwey.

Working on books

Secretaries recording the minutes

The Student Council

The Esko High School Student Council, first instituted in 1947, is an organization established to allow the students opportunities to promote cooperation between the faculty and themselves and to assist with the school government. The Council is the directive force for the major all-school social activities of the year. This year the Council successfully sponsored a Halloween party, the homecoming basketball game ceremonies and dance, and the Christmas party. This spring the council will assist in the presentations at the Award Day ceremonies, at which time, students who have earned awards will be honored.

The Council is composed of representatives of all the classes of junior and senior high school elected by the classes. The officers of the Council are Robert Seikkula, President; Roger Winquist, Vice President: Kenneth Pykkonen, Treasurer; and Bernice Johnson and Wayne Juntunen, Secretaries. Mr. E. H. Waterhouse, Principal; and William J. Nigg, Superintendent, are the advisors of the group.

The Spotlight...

FRONT ROW: Donald Kivisto, James Juntti, Sports Editors; Doris Ikola, Managing Editor; Bernice Johnson, Editor-in-Chief; Walter Grubenla, Assistant Editor; and Joan Hendrickson.

BACK ROW: Jeanette Hagman, Eileen Perttula, Edith Tan, Ruth Helberg, Loretta Black and Nancy Sunnarborg.

Lois and Audrey mimeographing

Verna, Audrey, Nancy, Monica and Elvie, stencil cutting

The Spotlight

The students have an opportunity to put into practical use some of the skills they learn in school by putting out the school paper, THE SPOTLIGHT.

The Spotlight serves as the school paper and community paper. It was begun in 1926 and has served the community ever since. It is issued every three weeks.

The students in all departments of the school act as reporters for the paper, and the commercial students edit and publish it. This practical experience is a useful and interesting part of the school life of many students.

Our aim is to give as many students as possible experience in the different types of work which must be done in putting out a school paper. These types of work include writing news, planning the make-up of the paper, typing, cutting stencils, and mimeographing. Over 300 copies of the paper are issued for distribution in the community and for outside subscriptions.

This year our editor-in-chief was Bernice Johnson, the associate editor was Walter Grubenla, and the managing editor was Doris Ikola.

Last year the editor-in-chief was Vernon Hammarlund, the associate editor was James Kinghorn, and the managing editor was Bob Seikkula.

High School Band...

FRONT ROW: Kay Juntunen, Geraldine Holmberg, Margie Erickson, Viola Johnson, Alice Fliegel, Sylvia Moilanen, Jane Michaelson, Carol Martin, Shirley Mattson, Carol Hendrickson, Elaine Mattson, Alice Gallea, Sally Moilanen, Janet Kivisto, Doris Wiita, Patricia Rowe, Vivian Laitinen, Betty Juntunen, Janice Raski, and Bernice Johnson.

BACK ROW: Elvie Niemi, Edith Tan, Verna Pantsar, Dorothy Tan, Audrey Kivisto, Doris Ikola, Marvin Mattson, Carol Juntunen, Donald Tan, Melvin Koski, Richard Duzan, Dale Liupakka, Melvin Tan, Donald Wigington, Robert Esko, Alvin Ceaglski, Gladys Juntunen, Donald Pykkonen, Donald Smith, June Puline, and Joan Hendrickson.

DURING REHEARSAL

CHORUS SINGS

High School Band

The band offers students interested in music an opportunity to develop their talents through free instruction and free use of school owned instruments.

The present membership consists of forty-four players and will be augmented by five or six new members by the end of this school year.

The point system provides a basis for awards which are presented at the end of the senior year.

The past year has been a very busy one for the band. It performed at the Annual Spring Music Festival in Duluth, Commencement Exercises, Memorial Day parades at Cloquet and Carlton, Festival Day parade at Carlton, Sawmill Days parade and Festival at Cloquet; also the Fourth of July parade in Cloquet, State Baseball Tournament in Duluth, Labor Day parade at Cloquet, U.M.D., Homecoming parade in Duluth and the H.S. Christmas program.

The band plays at all home basketball games and pep assemblies and also at the tournaments.

The Director is Mr. Isaac Esko; Bernice Johnson, President; Elvie Niemi, Vice-President; Verna Pantsar, Secretary; Edith Tan and Audrey Kivisto, Librarians, and Melvin Koski, Stage and Property Manager.

Mixed Chorus . . .

FRONT ROW: Elaine Sunnarborg, Phyllis Bergstedt, Adele Oja, Yvonne Hennum, Alice Fleigel, Lucille Heikkinen, Carol Juntti, Esther Johnson, Selma Granholm, Muriel Martin, and Marvin Mattson.
SECOND ROW: Elvie Niemi, Verna Pantsar, Audrey Mattinen, Carol Juntunen, Joyce Nelson, Betty Juntunen, Betsy Sunnarborg, Nancy Barney, Jean Sunnarborg, Gladys Anderson, Eileen Perttula, and Jack Bergstedt.
THIRD ROW: Bernice Johnson, Bette Bjorken, Cecelia Blazevic, Luella Sunnarborg, Beverly Southworth, Monica Blazevic, Patricia Rowe, Vivian Laitinen, Barbara Oja, Doris Ikola, and Melvin Koski.
FOURTH ROW: Geraldine Holmberg, Edith Tan, Nancy Joki, Dorothy Tan, Paula Karpenter, Lois Hammarlund, Audrey Kivisto, Doris Wiita, Joan Hendrickson, Nancy Sunnarborg, Janice Raski, Loretta Black, and Audrey Gallea.
BACK ROW: Robert Esko, James Juntti, Melvin Koivisto, Dick Salo, Harold Hultberg, Melvin Tan, Kenneth Pykkonen, Roger Winquist, Richard Duzan, Raymond Manisto, and Donald Kivisto.

Majorettes . . .

Yvonne Hennum, Joyce Nelson, Beverly Southworth, Bette Bjorken, and Adele Oja.

Mixed Chorus

The mixed chorus of sixty-four voices consists of students from the ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades. They meet for rehearsals twice a week and sing for the high school Christmas program. They also sing at the annual music festival at Duluth and at Baccalaureate and Commencement Exercises. The chorus is directed by Mr. Isaac Esko. Kenneth Pykkonen is the President, Melvin Tan, Vice President; Dick Duzan, Secretary; Loretta Black and Lois Hammarlund, Librarians.

Senior Class Play...

"Are You Mr. Butterworth?"

Donald Kivisto ..... Dan Meredith
Donald Smith ..... Tommy
Joan Hendrickson ..... Kat
Nancy Sunnarborg ..... Mrs. Benson
Melvin Tan ..... Bill "Mack" McGinnis
Elvie Niemi ..... Virginia Blair
Audrey Gallea ..... Miss Arabella Van Cleve
James Juntti ..... Leon Bashinsky
Eileen Perttula ..... Helen Worth
Lois Hammarlund ..... Sylvia DeLaney
Verna Pantsar ..... Katrinka Roden
Robert Seikkula ..... Mr. Butterworth
Kenneth Pykkonen ..... Telegraph Boy
Directed by Mrs. Ruth Harper.

Junior Class Play...

"The Funny Brats"

Vivian Laitinen ..... Harriet Gresham
Janice Raski ..... Aurora Borealis Pike
Doris Ikola ..... Mrs. Sylvia Gresham
James Rowe ..... Dick Gresham
Dick Duzan ..... Tom Gresham
Carol Juntunen ..... Lauralee Lynde
Marvin Mattson ..... Loren Gresham
Barbara Oja ..... Gwynette Gadwood
Audrey Kivisto ..... Aunt Hettie Higginbotham
Walter Grubenla ..... Whaley McWhorter
Martin Nynas ..... Boogerface Boggs
Directed by Mrs. Ruth Harper.

Camera Club . . .

FRONT ROW: Audrey Gallea, Lois Hammarlund, Eileen Perttula, Joan Hendrickson, Loretta Black, Nancy Sunnarborg, Ruth Helberg, and Colletta Van Wave.

BACK ROW: Kenneth Pykkonen, Donald Kivisto, James Juntti, Bob Seikkula, Melvin Tan, and Donald Tan.

Donald Kivisto and Donald Tan, Developing Film

Eileen and Ruth, Portrait Enlarging

Camera Club

The Kamera Klub's members must be exclusively juniors and seniors. Because of the large number of students who joined the club, it was divided into two groups, each working one semester.

Most of the work in the dark room, which included developing negatives and printing pictures, was done during the individual's free time. Our classroom work consisted of lectures and slides, given by our instructor, Mr. Stefanko. The care and use of the camera, the proper background, lighting, and arrangement for pictures was included in this instruction. All of us tried our hand at tinting photos, the results of which were surprisingly well done for first attempts. Then, too, we touched briefly on the movie camera and projector, and during one class period, fun was provided when we enthusiastically took movie shots of each other.

Mr. Stefanko acted as advisor of the Kamera Klub in the absence of Mr. Waterhouse.

Future Farmers...

FRONT ROW: Dale Luokkala, Louis Sampson, Donald Pykkonen, James Juntunen, Roger Bohren, Lloyd Rontti, Henry Sota, and Robert Johnson.
SECOND ROW: LeRoy Maki, Wayne Juntunen, Dick Lawson, Bennet Puline, Gerald Pera, Dick Van Valkenburg, John Maki, Wayne Michaelson, and Richard Tan.
THIRD ROW: Raymond Manisto, James Hammarlund, Calvin Bohren, Jack Alaspa, Richard Barney, Richard Anderson, James Manisto, and Stewart Nephew.
FOURTH ROW: Allen Lennartson, Dick Salo, James Rowe, James Juntti, Richard Richardson, James Sunnarborg, Donald Tan, and Donald Kivisto.
BACK ROW: Walter Grubenla, Harold Hultberg, Melvin Koski, Melvin Tan, Bob Seikkula, Richard Duzan, Jalmer Granholm, and Carl Gustafson.

Chicken Judging Team

Ray Manisto, Robert Seikkula, Walter Grubenla, and James Juntti, F.F.A. Officers

Future Farmers of America

The Esko Chapter of Future Farmers received recognition in several phases of work. Individual members and groups within the organization won various awards.

For having an outstanding program in Community Service the State Association gave the Esko organization a Gold Emblem Chapter Rating. The award is based on an outstanding program dealing with helping the local farmers.

The 1949 Poultry Judging team, consisting of Donald Tan, Richard Van Valkenburg, Richard Duzan, and James Sunnarborg, placed first in the District Eight Judging Contest held at Grand Rapids. This was the second time Esko has brought home the poultry trophy. One more winning year and the trophy becomes a permanent fixture in the Agriculture Room.

The 1949 F. F. A. basketball team, also came out on top by winning the district basketball tournament.

Besides the group activities several individual members gained recognition by doing excellent work. James Juntti, Melvin Koski, and Bob Seikkula received their State Farmer Degrees at the 1949 State Convention.

Bob Seikkula placed first in the 1949 District Eight Project Contest sponsored by the Duluth Chamber of Commerce. James Juntti won top honors in the 1949 District Electric Utilization Contest, sponsored by local power companies.

Esko boys again copped first and second places in the 1949 Electric Utilization Contest. Donald Kivisto and Melvin Tan were awarded savings bonds for placing first and second, respectively.

Outstanding leadership was demonstrated by Bob Seikkula and James Juntti. Both were elected to hold offices in the District Association in the past year; Bob served as Vice-president and James as reporter. This was the second year that Bob held a district office. He held the Secretary's post in 1948-49.

The Chapter observed its 20th Anniversary last year by putting out a publication on its past history. Esko has the oldest Chapter in the state. Throughout these 20 years the Chapter has followed the F. F. A. motto:

Learn to do — Doing to learn — Earn to live — Living to serve.

Library Club...

LEFT TO RIGHT: Bernice Johnson, Nancy Sunnarborg, Verna Pantsar, Elvie Niemi, Ruth Helberg, Esther Johnson, Joyce Nelson, Loretta Black, Doris Watry, Selma Granholm, Eileen Perttula, Muriel Martin, Edith Tan, Bette Bjorken, Mrs. Murphy, and Dorothy Tan.

Verna checking out book for Loretta

Eileen and Nancy, shellacing new books

Library Club

The Library Club consists of fourteen girls. Their duties are checking out books, arranging shelves, filing cards, shellacking books, dusting shelves, and taking inventory. Each girl is assigned to an hour and she is in charge of the library during that hour.

The librarians have their fun, too. Early in the fall they had a weiner roast. A Christmas party was enjoyed by all and we are looking forward to at least one more party.

Eileen Perttula heads this organization as president, with Nancy Sunnarborg, as vice-president, Verna Pantsar as sercretary, and Loretta Black as treasurer. Mrs. Murphy is our advisor.

4-H Club...

FRONT ROW: Donald Ronti, Darwin Bottila, Roger Bottila, Ervin Lassila, Robert Johnson, and Otto Oja.

SECOND ROW: Kenneth Hammarlund, Robert Rowe, Elizabeth Blazevic, Luella Sunnarborg, Gerald Anderson, Richard Bjorklund, and Leslie Southworth.

BACK ROW: June Puline, Dorothy Tan, Verna Pantsar, Elvie Niemi, Rosemary Pederson, and Patricia Van Wave.

The Esko 4-H Club

The Esko 4-H Club, though small in size, has received recognition in several ways. They won the county Championship in the 1949 One-act play contest with "My Cousin From Sweden". The cast inluded: Joan Hendrickson, Patsy Warren, Elvie Niemi, Dorothy Tan, Audrey Kivisto, Edith Tan, and Luella Sunnarborg.

Outstanding leadership has been exhibited by Elvie Niemi and Dorothy Tan. Both are officers in the Carlton County 4-H Federation Council. Elvie won the Danforth Foundation Award for her leadership activities at the 1949 Achievement Banquet.

Members winning free trips to the state fair at the 1948 County Fair were:

Gerald Pera (dairy heifer).

Joan Hendrickson (demonstration, poultry, health queen).

Elvie Niemi (demonstration).

Members winning free trips to the state fair at the 1949 county fair were:

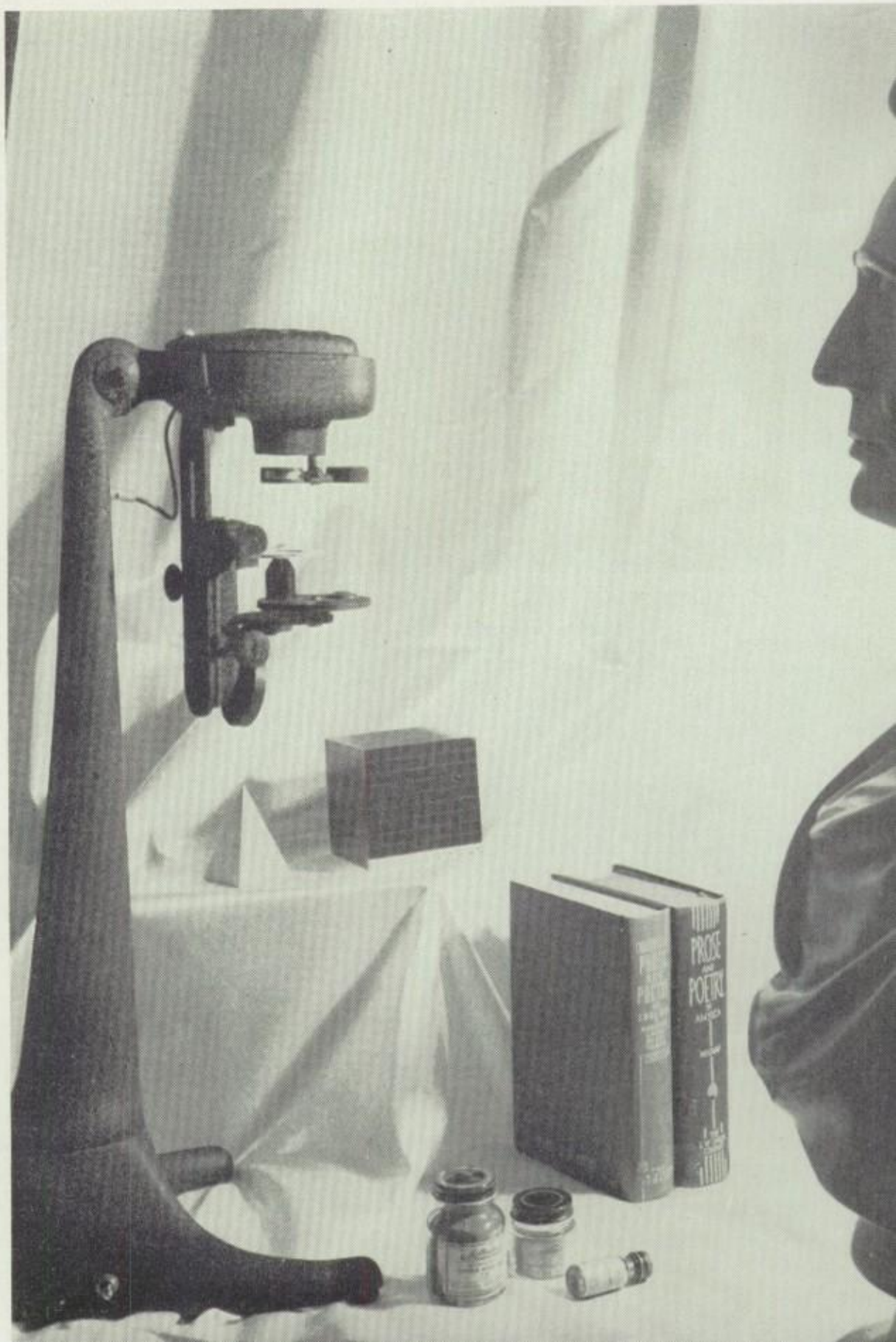
Gerald Pera (Dairy cow).

Elvie Niemi (Alternate for Health Queen).

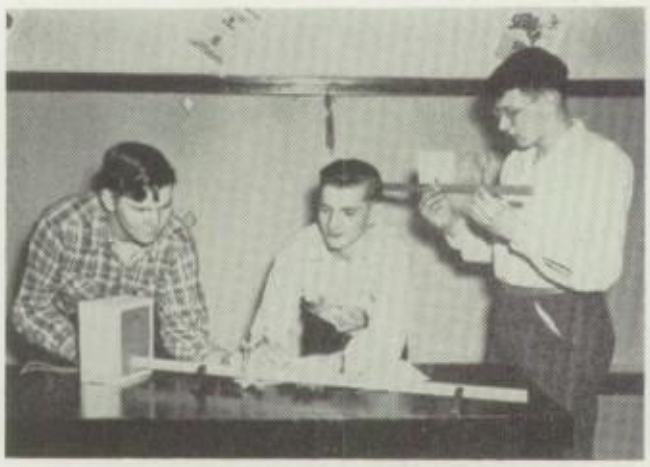
Edith Tan was presented with the Frozen Food's Award at the 1949 Achievement Banquet.

This long list of achievements won by the members doesn't mean that the 4-H didn't have its share of recreation. The club had several parties each year.

In the Classroom . . .



Science Department...



Martin, Floyd and Walter,
finding the focal length of lenses.

Edith, Joan, and Nancy,
finding the mechanical advantage of the pulley.

Luella, Paula, Roger, and Louis,
dissecting frogs.

Elaine, James, and Mavis,
seeking the magnetic field.

Science Department

The science room has been the scene of varied activity. The general science class has been discovering some of the answers to various scientific occurrences that affect our everyday life. The biology class has been busy dissecting frogs, cats, maintaining an aquarium, and other interesting tasks. In chemistry, students delved further into the mysteries of chemical changes, and discovered new properties of materials about us, such as salts, metals, acids, the elements, and how they combine to form new compounds, some of which are vital to our living. The physics class studied and experimented with the various physical laws—mechanical, heat, sound, light, and electricity, and learned how they affect our lives.

Commercial Department...

Figures jive?

Seniors take a letter

Speed test, no doubt!

Fingers flying

Commercial Department

The commercial department has a two-fold purpose. First, we give vocational training to students interested in secretarial and office work. Second, we give other students a chance to learn typing and other business subjects for personal use. With this in mind, we offer classes in general business, typing, shorthand, transcription, and bookkeeping.

The class in general business is offered to students in the ninth grade. Here the students learn facts about business which is necessary for anyone who is to get ahead in this modern world, no matter what his choice of occupation.

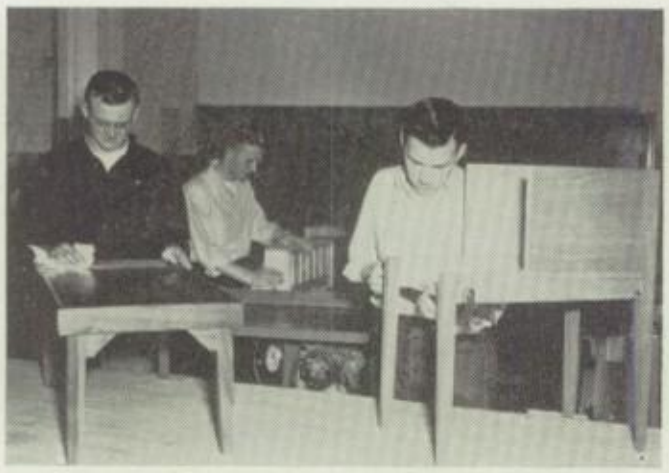
Typing is offered in the tenth grade. Although the vocational use is emphasized, since much of the time is spent in letter writing, the course is valuable to anyone who wants to learn to type.

The other business subjects are offered to students in the eleventh and twelfth grades. They are more definitely subjects of interest to students who plan to enter business occupations. Shorthand I and II are planned to give training in taking dictation, transcribing letters, and other office procedures.

Bookkeeping is a useful subject for anyone whether he is in business or not. In these times it is important for everyone to know how to keep records for his own personal use, as well as for business.

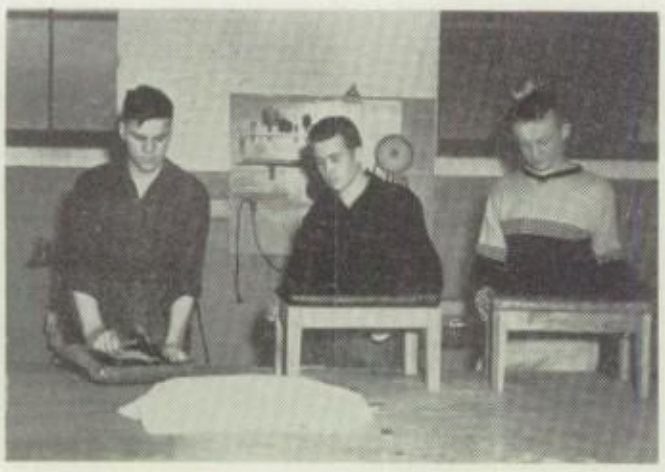
Our largest enrollment is in the typing classes. Thirty students learned to type this year.

Industrial Arts...



Bob, Ray and Melvin work on projects

Stanley, James, and Stewart welding



James, Clayton, and Jack finishing footstools

Seventh Grade Upstarts

Industrial Arts Department

The industrial arts offerings of the junior high are largely exploratory. At this level the pupils have the opportunity to delve into the following areas of industrial arts: planning, hand and machine woodwork, general metals, crafts, electricity and mechanical drawing.

The juniors spent the year working on units in the various metal areas, namely oxy-acetylene and electric arc welding; bench metal, sheet metal and forging. The greater part of the first semester included the development of skill in sharpening various tools and wood working.

The seniors were permitted to make larger projects and of longer duration. Some of these projects took the entire year to complete and demanded welding, bench metal, woodworking, etc. in their construction. The students did their own planning, including the drawings and bill of materials.

Through the manipulative activities, informational units and problems, the students have sought to develop skills in the use of common tools, machines and methods of modiwying materials; worthwhile hobby interests; an appreciation of good workmanship; proper practices with respect to safety; the habit of an orderly procedure in the performance of any task; self-confidence and initiative through successful application of learning in solving problems.

Home Economics . . .

Remodeling Chairs

Boys experiment with cooking

Girls trying out new waffle iron

Mothercraft

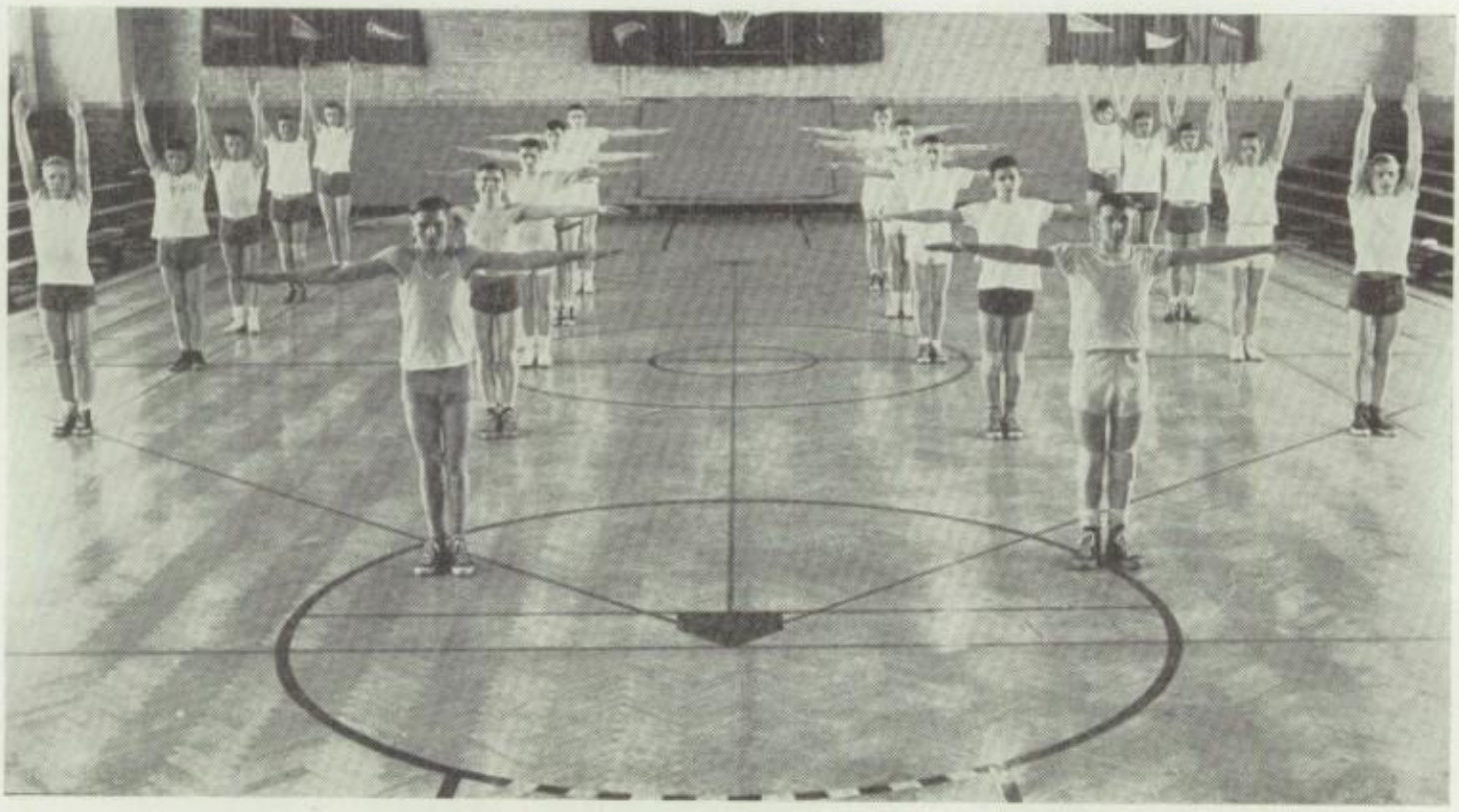
Home Economics Department

To meet the needs and interests of the students is the major objective of Homemaking Education today. With this in mind the Home Economics course is flexible and varies from year to year. One group may decide that they need more information on upholstering; whereas another group may want more knowledge in planning and building a home. The parents, pupils, and teacher work together in setting up the goals for learning. With the home, school, and community combining their resources for a wide variety of experiences, the courses will be more practical and vital.

School projects, outside the actual Home Economics department, may include such activity as making curtains for the school lunch room. Community projects include the making of place mats and favors for the local hospital, making Christmas treats for members of the Old Folk's Home, and the decorating and serving of community banquets. Each year the upper class women remodel some part of the Homemaking Department. In this way the rooms are kept homelike and attractive, besides giving the students valuable experiences in home furnishings.

Home Economics for boys is not new, but the rapidity with which it is spreading over the entire United States is new and challenging. It shows that young men, too, are anxious to avail themselves of the opportunity of improving their personal, social, and family life. The ultimate result of applied Home Economics for both girls and boys will be a better community, a better nation, and a better world, for "Today's homes build tomorrow's world."

Boys' Physical Education . . .



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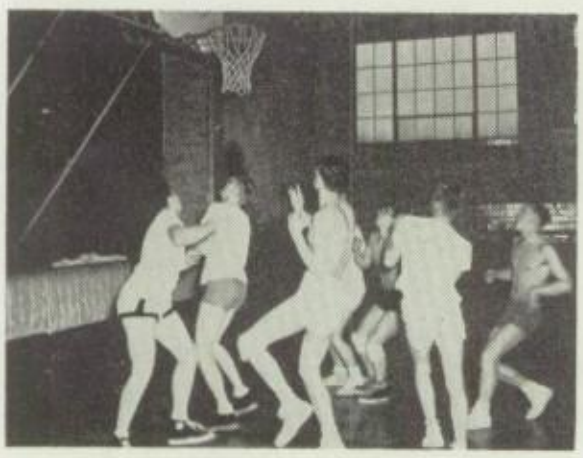


Practice game

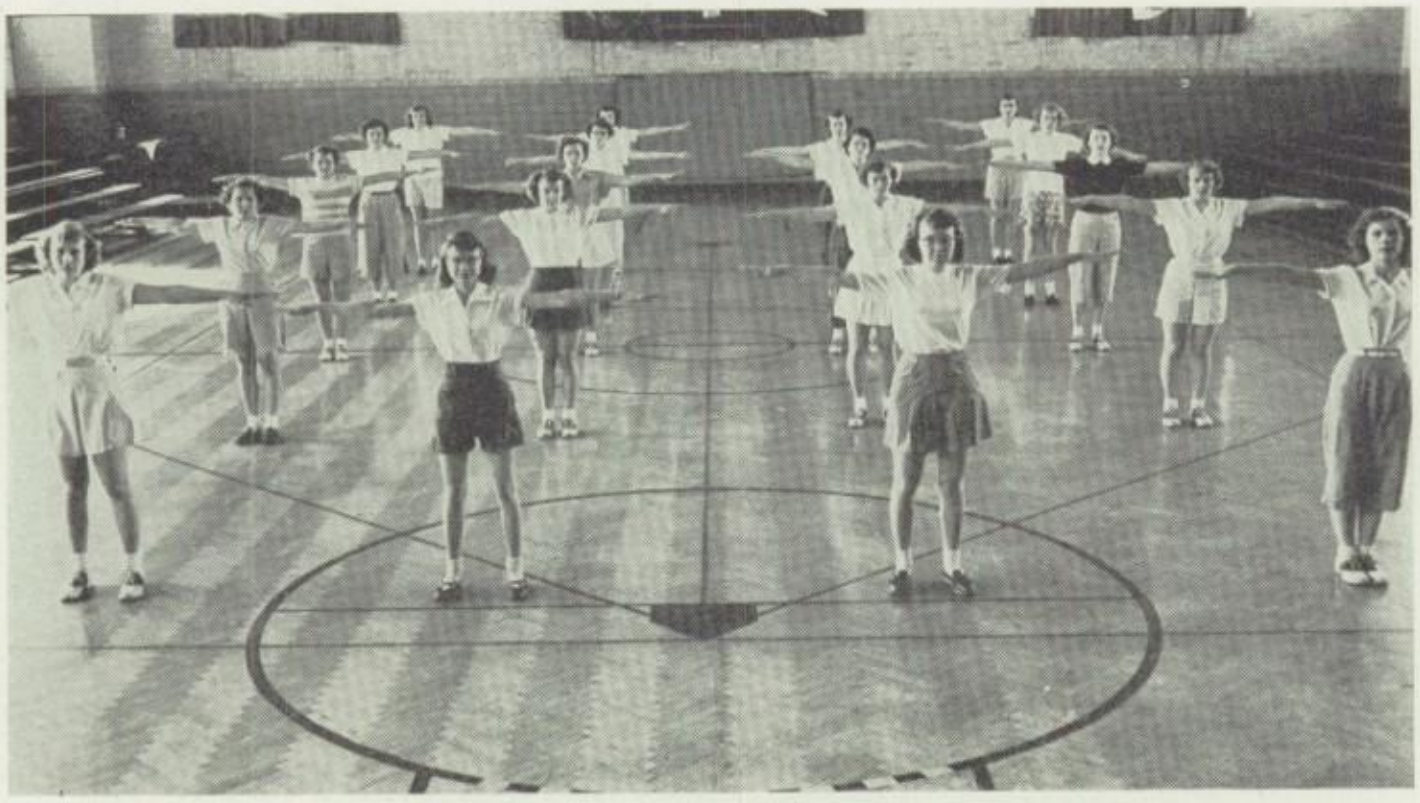
Throwing bean bags

Boys' Physical Education

It is the aim of the physical education department to provide recreation for all boys in the junior and senior high school. With this purpose in mind, the tendancy is toward free play during the two hours each week that the boys participate in gym work. Football, basketball, and baseball, in their respective seasons are the most widely enjoyed activities in which the boys take part.

Our school is one of the few schools in the state where a clean towel is provided each student after every shower. It is part of a program to encourage proper habits of living and cleanliness.

Girls' Physical Education . . .



KEEPING TRIM

A human pryamid

Caught in action

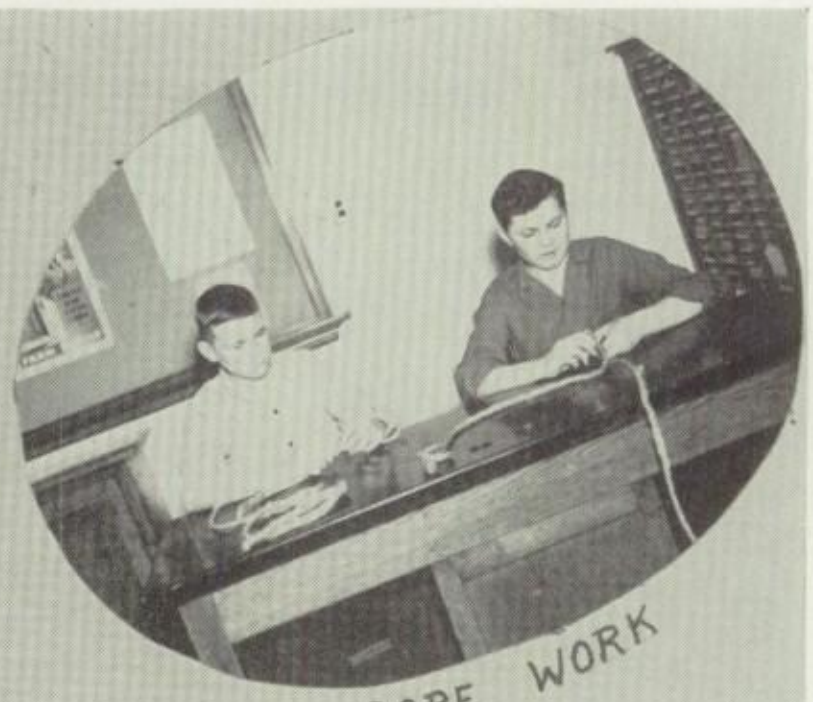
Girls' Physical Education

All girls, grades seven through twelve, are required to take Physical Education. Each girl attends wto classes a week, where activities are planned and carried out to aid in individual development and the wise use of leisure time.

The Physical Education program for girls is divided into three sections: highly organized games such as basketball and baseball; self-testing activities such as dashes, rhythms, tumbling and throwing events; and out of school activities such as skating and hiking. The class period is also divided into three sections, beginning with calisthenics, instruction and finally, a period of active play. Girls are carefully tested to see that continuous progress is being made.

Agriculture . . .

POTATO JUDGING



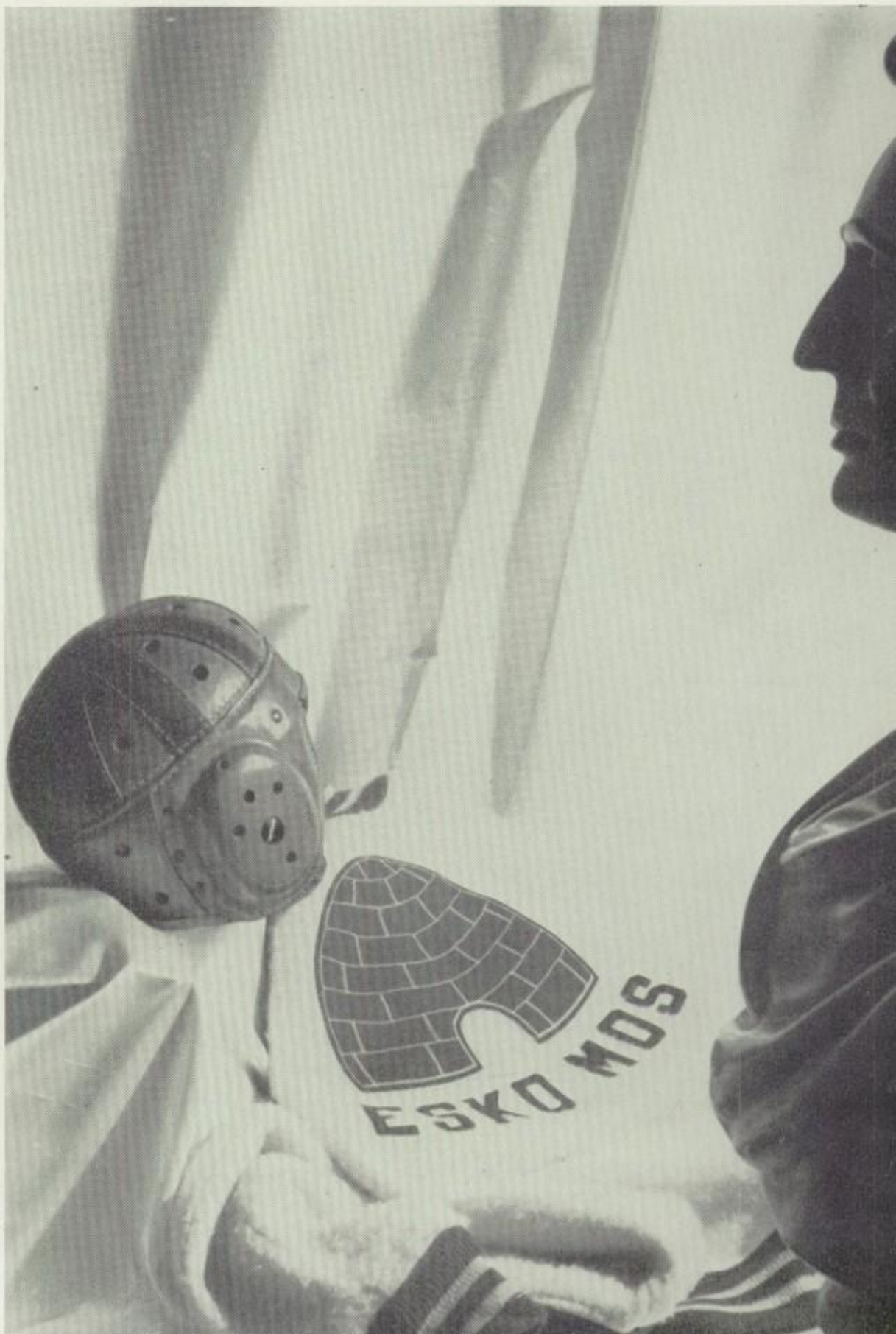
ROPE WORK

FARM ACCOUNTING

GRAIN JUDGING

MILK TESTING

Athletics . . .

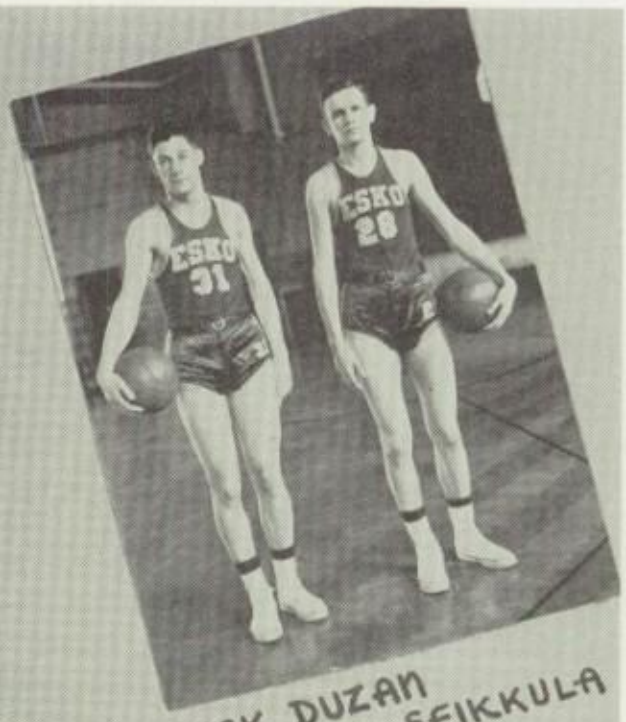


Sub-District -- Polar League Champs

MEL KOIVISTO
MEL TAN

ESKOMOS

COACH KNUTI



DICK DUZAN
BOB SEIKKULA

JOE JOHNSON
DARRELL LASSILA

POLAR LEAGUE
CHAMPIONS

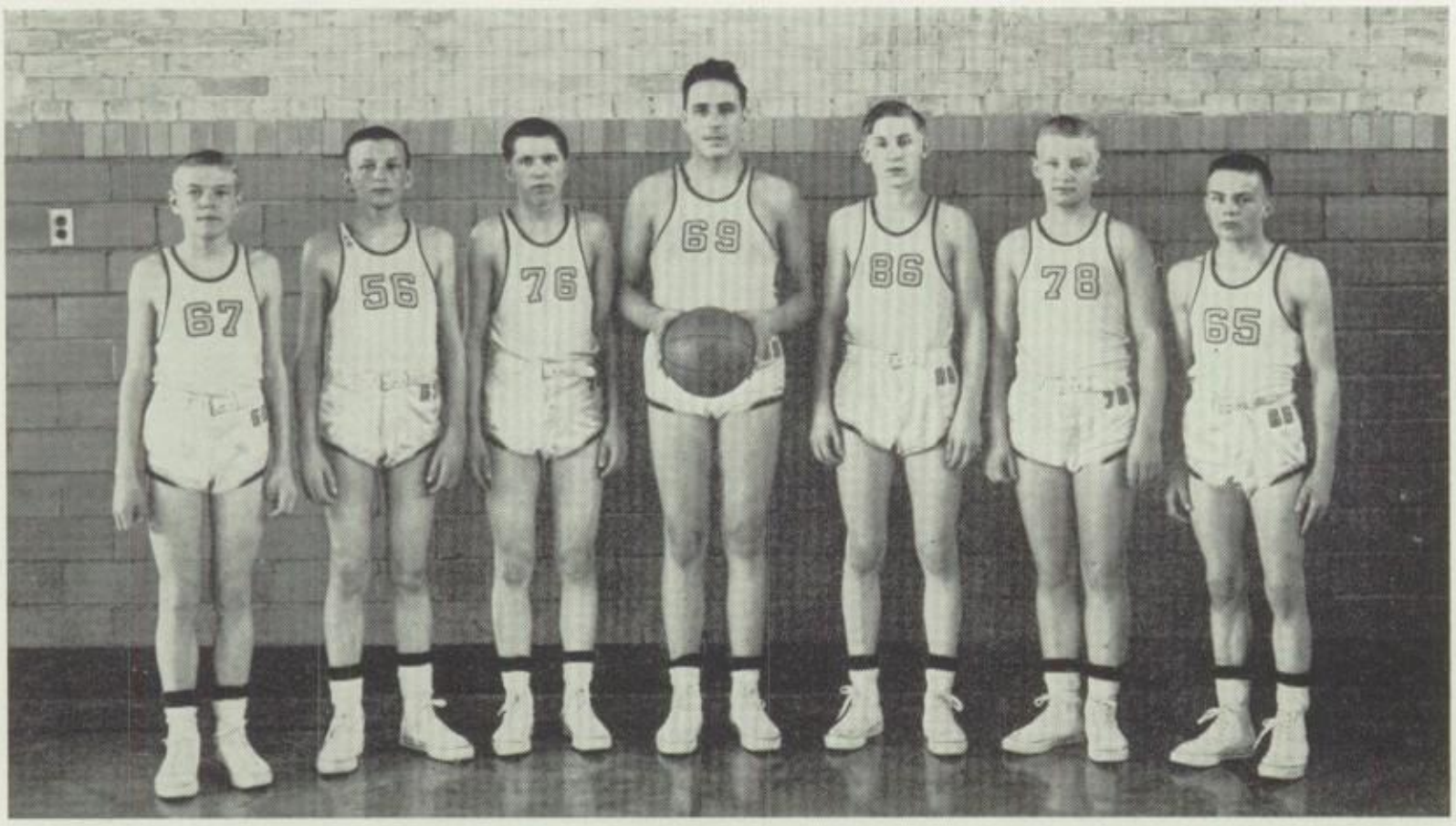
MILLARD BARNEY
ROG WINQUIST

KEN PYKKONEN CAPT.
MERI JUNTUNEN

SUB- DISTRICT
CHAMPIONS

RAY MANISTO
JACK BERGSTEDT

"B" Team . . .



LEFT TO RIGHT: Donald Pykkonen, Duane Davidson, Calvin Bohren, Harold Hultberg, Allen Lennartson, Richard Lawson, James Juntunen.

Managers
James Juntti and Robert Nelson

Best Wishes
"Beaver"

1949-1950 Basketball History

Compiling a record of 22 victories against one defeat the 1949-50 basketball season goes down in history as the greatest year enjoyed in the cage sport by a team of Esko High School. The team's undefeated string of 22 straight victories brought them state-wide fame. It was the longest such undefeated record of any team in the entire state. Included among the victims of the Eskomos were: a strong Duluth Denfeld team, Willow River, leading team of District 25; Cook and Tower- Soudan of District 27, whom the Eskomos defeated in a tournament played during the Christmas holidays at Tower.

For the third consecutive year the Esko team won the Polar League Championship, having a perfect record of twelve straight wins in each of the past two seasons. The team also won the Sub-District crown by whipping Floodwood 62-42, Carlton 63-33, and Wrenshall 27-22. In the District 26 tournament the Eskomos earned a 35-34 overtime victory over Proctor in the first round and then were defeated by Morgan Park 54-41 in the semi-finals. (Continued on next page.)

Football Champions...

FRONT ROW: Darrell Lassila, Stewart Nephew, Richard Barney, Jack Alaspa, Carl Gustafson, James Rowe.
SECOND ROW: Dick Salo, Wilbur Juntunen, Kenny Pykkonen, Walter Grubenla, James Sunnarborg, Joe Johnson, Jack Bergstedt, Merton Juntunen.
BACK ROW: William J. Nigg, Kenneth Sunnarborg, Robert Alaspa, Richard Duzan, Robert Seikkula, Martin Nynas, Harold Hultberg, Millard Barney, Leslie Knuti, coach.

Football History 1949

The gridiron Eskomos won their second Polar League championship in three years as they rolled through a six game schedule achieving a record of five victories and one tie. The Esko eleven really whipped up the points; outscoring their opponents by a whopping 160 to 14 margin. It is the finest football record for the Esko school in four years of the grid sport.

ESKO	38	FLOODWOOD	7
ESKO	14	CARLTON	0
ESKO	40	DULUTH EAST	0
ESKO	40	McGREGOR	0
ESKO	21	HERMANTOWN	0
ESKO	7	CARLTON	7

Basketball History (continued)

In their 23 games the Eskomos scored 1223 points while holding their opponents to 819.

ESKO	42	MORGAN PARK	29	ESKO	61	WILLOW RIVER	31
ESKO	66	MEADOWLANDS	34	ESKO	55	CARLTON	40
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Girls' Athletic Association . . .

FRONT ROW: Muriel Martin, Selma Granholm, Esther Johnson, Jeanette Hagman, Paula Karpenter, Betty Bjorken, Monica Blazevic, Luella Sunnarborg.

SECOND ROW: Janet Hennum, Lois Hammarlund, Joyce Nelson, Betty Juntunen, Dorothy Tan, Beverly Southworth, Doris Wiita, Janice Raski.

THIRD ROW: Audrey Kivisto, Audrey Gallea, Bernice Johnson, Eileen Perttula, Loretta Black, Verna Pantsar, Vivian Laitinen, Patricia Rowe, Geraldine Holmberg.

FOURTH ROW: Nancy Joki, Nancy Sunnarborg, Joan Hendrickson, Ruth Helberg, Edith Tan, Elvie Niemi, Doris Ikola, Carol Juntunen, Audrey Mattinen.

1950 "E" Banquet

Wayne King makes a speech

Girls' Athletic Association

All senior high school girls may belong to the G.A.A. (Girl's Athletic Association), which is an organization for the development of skills and athletic interest, and the promotion of comradeship and friendship among the girls.

The girls try to carry out the aims of the G.A.A. by meeting twice a month for "activity night". These evenings are devoted to highly organized sports such as volleyball or soccer, or to individual activities such as hiking, social dancing, or tumbling.

Activities for the year started with a drive for funds by selling magazines. The first school dance was sponsered by the group and proved successful. Other activities included the banquet for school athletes, a Christmas party, the initiation of new members, the G.A.A. Banquet and the seniors' cabin party.

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR

President—Ruth Helberg Vice-President—Jeanette Hagman

Secretary—Audrey Gallea Treasurer—Loretta Black Historian—Eileen Perttula

Homecoming . . .

QUEEN AND COURT

FIRST ROW: Nancy Sunnarborg, Bernice Johnson.
SECOND ROW: Lois Hammarlund, Maid-of-Honor; Monica Blazevic.
REAR: Loretta Black, queen.

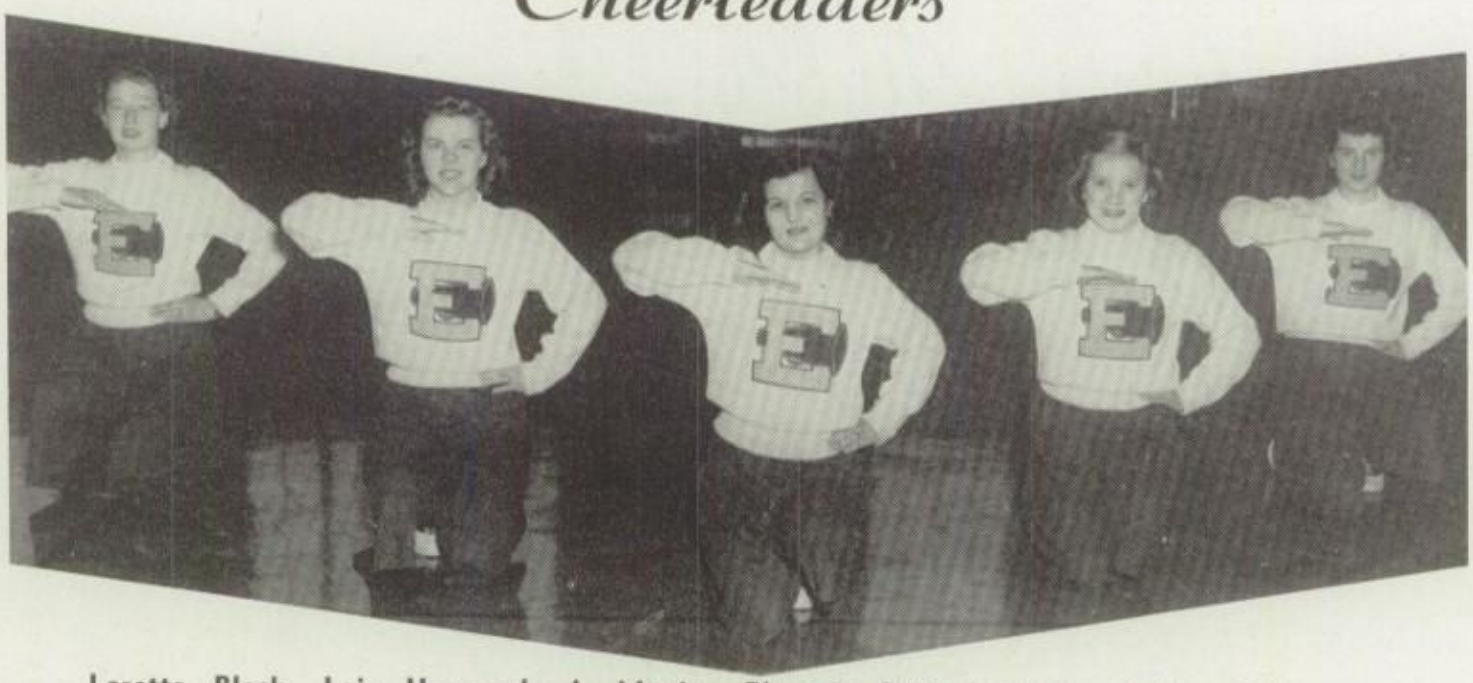
A FORMAL

Monica Blazevic, Lois Hammarlund, Loretta Black, Nancy Sunnarborg, Bernice Johnson

CORONATION

Captain Pykkonen crowns Loretta, Queen of the Eskomos

Cheerleaders



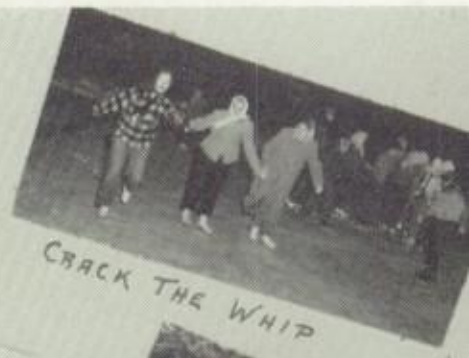
Loretta Black, Lois Hammarlund, Monica Blazevic, Bette Juntunen, Audrey Gallea

Features . . .

RAGS ON RASKI

BIRDS OF A FEATHER

BUBBLE GUM CONTEST


CRACK THE WHIP

CUDDLES MATTSON

CHICK !!

COLD !

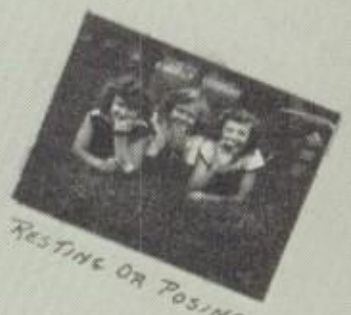
PALS

MISS GALLEA

SNOOKY

GERI

THE OLD LOOK


RESTING OR POSING

HOLD IT GERRY

DIGNIFIED DON

WALT'S TAXI

JANICE

SELMI

CUTE CAROL

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BEY.

WALT & BUZZY

COLLETTA

RUTHIE

YOUNG LOVE

MISCELLANEOUS

N'ICE BERG

TWO KENNYS TWO MELS

SENIOR PRES.

MARTIN 'N MUTT

COURT STARS

CARL THE SAILOR

NANCY SMITH

MR. KOSKI

JUMPIN' JIM

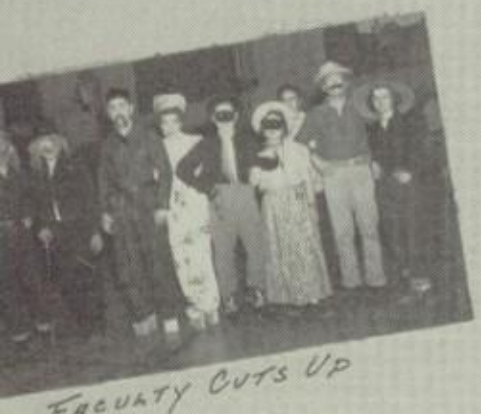
AMID BEAUTY

MRS. WREX

TAN SCORES

COSTUMES

WILDCAT SAYS NO !!



FACULTY CUTS UP

F.F.A. DISPLAY

WE'VE GOT THE PEP

HE'S AT IT AGAIN

NEW LOOK IN LOWER HALL

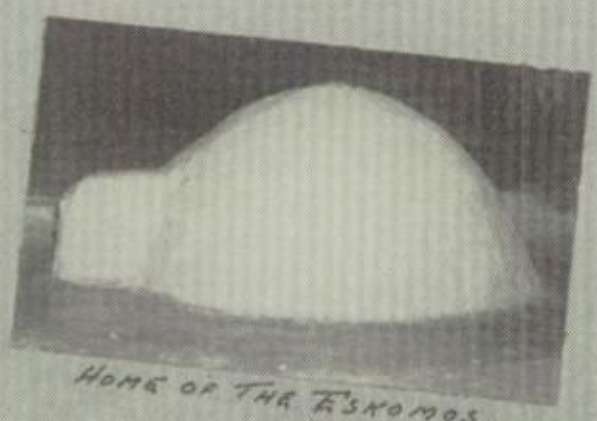
COUNCIL MEMBERS AT DENFELD

ESKIMOS - #2 WARMS 32

FRIENDSHIP BANQUET

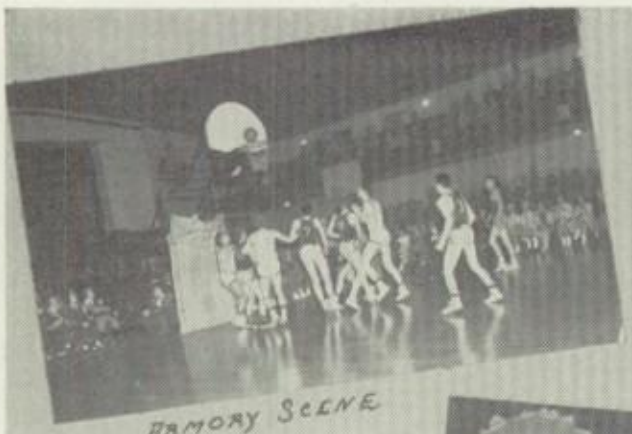
TICKET LINE

BONNEY HELPS POUT VIKINGS



HOME OF THE ESKIMOS

JUMP SHOT



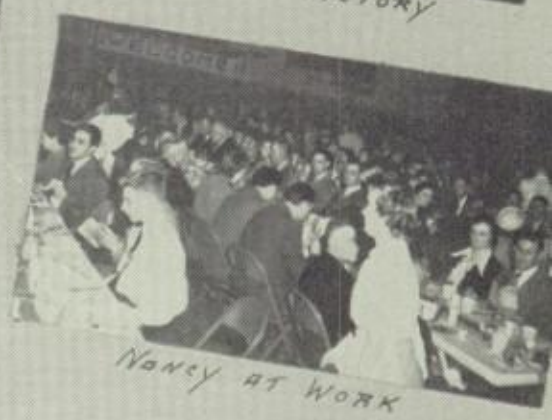
ARMORY SCENE

EXCHANGE STUDENT VISITS

ONWARD TO VICTORY

NEW CREATIONS

MGR. K. HITS FOR 2



NANCY AT WORK

OUR FIRST FIRE TRUCK

SNOWBOUND!

REF GETS IN THE ACT

TAN'S BUSY NIGHT

NEW HOME FOR BUSES

HALLOWEEN COSTUME WINNERS

MAJORETTES STRUT THEIR STUFF

...HING STOPS TAN'S SHOT

CHEERLEADERS IN ACTION

KENNY IS AMAZED

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